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E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: PFOR NGAU

SUBJECT: 11TH OAU SUMMIT

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- 1. SUMMARY: DURING MEETING OTHER SUBJECTS JUNE 19, FONMIN USEC FADL OBEID MADE FOLLOWING POINTS IN RESPONDE AMBASSADOR'S QUERIES RE OUTCOME RECENT OAU SUMMIT. END SUMMARY.
- 2. ON QUESTION OF DIFFICULTY SELECTING NEW OAU SYG, FONMIN USEC OBEID TOLD AMBASSADOR AFRICA DIVIDED VERTICALLY BETWEEN EAST AFRICA AND WEST AFRICA. WEST AFRICANS HAD HAD SYG POSITION SINCE OAU FOUNDED. IT HAD THUS BEEN TUR EAST AFRICANS BUT LATTER COULD CONFIDENTIAL

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NOT SORT OUT DIFFEREMIES AMONG THEMSELVES. CONFIRMING RUMORS SUDAN

HAD BEEN INTERESTED IN ADVANCING CANDIDATE FOR POST, OBEID SAID FONMIN MANSOUR KHALID HAD NEVER DESIRED JOB BUT HAD HAD UNNAMED SUDANESE POSSIBILITY IN MIND. HOWEVER, AT EARLY STAGE PRESIDENT SIAD HAD ASKED PRESIDENT NIMEIRI SUPPORT CANDIDACY FONMIN ARTEH. GOS COULD DO NOTHING BUT AGREE. IF KAUNDA HAD BEEN FIRST WITH MESSAGE REQUESTING SUPPORT FOR ZAMBIAN CANDIDATE SUDAN WOULD HAVE SUPPORTED LATTER. IN THE EVENT, CAMEROONIAN COMPROMISE CANDIDATE CARRIED DAY

IN PART ON BASIS ARGUMENT ELECTION WAS TO FILL LAST HALF UNEXPIRED CAMEROONIAN TOUR. OBEID INDICATED EAST AFRICAN CANDIDATE SHOULD WIN IN 1976 IF EAST AFRICANS CAN AGREE AMONG THEMSELVES.

3. AS TO OFFERS FROM ARAB OIL PRODUCERS, OBEID SAID THIS ONE ISSUE ON WHICH HE DISAGREED WITH FONMIN KHALID. OBEID FELT ARAB OIL PRODUCERS HAD BEEN FORTHCOMING. \$100 MILLION ALREADY DEPOSITED IN JOINT CUSTODY SECGENS OAU AND ARAB LEAGUE, ANOTHER \$100 MILLION AVAILABLE AND ADDITIONAL 15-20 MILLION OFFERED FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. PROBLEM WAS THESE OFFERS CONTINGENT UPON SPECIFIC AFRICAN PROJECTS AND "THEY" (I.E. AFRICANS) HAD FAILED COME UP WITH MANY. MOREOVER, ENTIRELY ASIDE FOREGOING MANY AFRICANS HAD MADE BILATERAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH INDIVIDUAL ARAB PRODUCERS WHICH HIGHLY BENEFICIAL. OBEID NEVERTHELESS PLACED KHALID IN DIFFICULT

POSITION AS CHAIRMAN OAU SPECIAL OIL COMMITTEE AND COULD HARDLY DEFEND ARAB PERFORMANCE TO DISSATISFIED AFRICANS.

4. RE ETHIOPIAN/SOMALI DISPUTE. OBEID SAID HE EXPECTED KNOW MORE WHEN DELEGATION RETURNS FROM MOGADISCIO (ONLY NIMEIRI SO

FAR BACK). HE OPINED ONLY WAY ISSUE WOULD EVER BE RESOLVED WOULD BE THROUGH SOME SORT PROPOSAL INVOLVING JOINT OWNERSHIP RESOURCES IN DISPUTED AREA WITHOUT PREJUDICE PRESENT POLITICAL BOUNDARY. IN ITS CAPACITY AS MEMBER OAU SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON SUBJECT, YYDAN HAD AT ONE STAGE CONSIDERED FLOATING THIS IDEA BUT IT CLEAR SOMALIS WOULD NOT ACCEPT. OBEID INDICATED PROBLEM EXTREMELY DIFFICULT WITH LITTLE THAT SUDANESE OR OTHER POTENTIAL THEIR

PARTIES COULD DO UNTIL POSITIONS TWO SIDES SOMEWHAT CLOSER.

5. COMMENT. OBEID'S COMMENTS MAKE CLEAR GOS BNTEMPLATED CONFIDENTIAL

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PUTTING FORTH "COMPROMISE" CANDIDATE TO REPLACE EKANGAKI BUT DECIDED AGAINST THIS VIEW KHALID'S UNAVAILABILITY
AND PRESIDENT SIAD'S TIMELY PERSONAL APPEAL NIMEIRI. EMBASSY WILL ENDEAVOR FOLLOW UP WITH OBEID AND OTHER CONTACTS WHEN SUDANESE OAU DELEGATION RETURNS AND WILL REPORT ANY FURTHER SIGNIFIDANT INFO DEVELOPED.
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